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ACTION PERIOD: - REFERENCE: CATIDE Check of Berlin Document Center Records			
REF ID: A. EDNA-67322, dated 17 September 1965 B. EDNA-67444, dated 13 October 1965			
<p>1. In response to request in Ref. B, the following additional information is enclosed, the involvement of the student body of the Police Officer School at Berlin/Charlottenburg and Puerstenberg/Macklenburg in Sipo and SD operations in Poland in September 1939, has been provided by alias CASTROP;</p> <p>a. The operational group engaged at the outbreak of the war in Poland in September 1939 was the so-called Sipo and SD Operational Group with the 14th Army (Einsatzgruppe z.b.V. der Polizei und SD bei der 14. Armee).</p> <p>b. This operational group was commanded by the SS-Obergruppenfuehrer <del>WILHELM</del> RASCH (born 24 July 1895 in Salzmannsrodt), and was activated on 3 September 1939. It was composed of four battalions of Ordenspolizei under the command of the Sipo Colonel, Dr. CHRISTIG and a 350-man Special Sipo Detachment under SS Oefffizier, Dr. Otto RASCH (born on 7 December 1901 in Friedrichshain). The Special Sipo Detachment was recruited from the student body of the Police Officer School in Berlin/Charlottenburg, whose commanding officer was Brigadefuehrer Otto HELLEND (born on 14 February 1894 in Kiel) as well as from the student body of the Puerstenberg/Macklenburg Police School, whose commanding officer was one SS-Oberfuehrer THOMER. HELLEND's Deputy at the time was Kommandant SKIENKE (born on 7 June 1892 in Bam or on 14 February 1906 in Lippstadt).</p>			
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<b>GROUP I</b> <b>EXCLUDED FROM AUTOMATIC</b> <b>DE-NORMADING AND DECLASSIFICATION</b>			
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a. Others who served in the Special SIPO Detachment were:

(Dr.) BARTHMANN Fritz, born 11 Sept. 1901 in Torgelow/Pomm.  
(Dr.) BAUTZIS Frau, born 17 Sept. 1911 in Zerbst or 2 March 1906  
in Weende  
HUCK Heinrich, born 7 October 1905 in Veltheim/Weser  
JOHNER Kurt, born 25 March 1907 in Riedling  
(Dr.) KRODDEK Hans, born 10 Sept. 1907 in Baumberg/Rhein  
KOSMUS Alfred, born 27 Sept. 1914 in Luck  
KÜSCHEL Frau, born 16 February 1902 in Schapitz or 11 Dec. 1902  
in Danzig  
SCHLINDL Frau, born 9 March 1896 in Wahrenbach or 25 Aug. 1913  
in Konstanz  
SCHMIDT Albert, born 8 May 1899 in Zeppenfeld or 16 Nov. 1912  
in Allersburg  
SPERDORFHAUER Heinrich, born 25 Feb. 1910 in Hirschfelde  
TÖTTNER Josef, born 1 June 1910 in Salzburg  
WEINMANN Frau, born 5 Aug. 1906 in Fettelsen; or 1 Sept. 1909  
in Seesen/Harz  
WESSMÜLL Theodor, born 4 Feb. 1907 in Bad Rölzlin/Pomm.  
WILHELM Georg, born 30 March 1912 in Freist  
WINKELSTEIN Heinrich, born 1 June 1912 in Kempten/Bay  
WÖRNER Eugen, born 29 Dec. 1912 in Peine.

c. CASTROP has requested that the Berlin Document Center make every effort, on the basis of the additional information provided above, to provide answers to the following:

a. When and from what organizations the individuals listed above were transferred into the operational group under von WOTRSCH;

b. Where and for how long the were operationally engaged in Poland and into what organizations they were assigned after serving in Poland. (Since, according to CASTROP's information, most members of the von WOTRSCH Operational Group are believed to have been attached to Stapo/Seite Katowice in September or October 1959, he expressed his particular interest in learning when and to what other Stapo or Kripo organizations any of the individuals listed above may have been detached or transferred after service in Stapo/Seite Katowice.)

d. CASTROP states that he can appreciate the amount of work that may be involved on the part of the BDC staff in efforts to track down the information called for. He has indicated, however, that any information that may be forthcoming will be of considerable value to CATIDE in the pursuance of investigations of several important security cases involving persons suspected of having been involved in war crimes committed in Poland as members of the operational group under discussion. CASTROP has stressed again that this matter has been assigned a high priority within CATIDE. Accordingly, an early response will be most appreciated.

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4. The only identifiable Munich traces on any of the individuals listed above are the following:

a. VOETKEL, Josef - EOLA-33155, dated 1 April 1957 requesting HDC traces; EGBA-41858 dated 29 May 1957 forwarding HDC trace results.

b. WILHEIM, Georg - BGMA-64870 dated 14 July 1964 requesting HDC traces for CATIDB; MDT-8264 dated 21 August 1964 forwarding HDC trace results.

c. GERMER, Eugen - BGMA-67267 dated 1 October 1965 requesting HDC traces for CATIDB.

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